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advised that at that time several known and suspected Communists had attended meetings of the organization, but he had no information to indicate that the organization was Communist dominated or controlled.

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In previous investigation conducted in 1951, a review of the files of the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA) reflected that the Daily Worker issue of May 27, 1941 on page 1 contained an article datelined Washington, D.C. "160 Negro Leaders Condemn Drive to War and Destruction of our Peoples' Rights" and on page 5 had an article headlined "160 Negro Leaders Blast War, General Chaos and Defense". The name LOUIS LORENZO REDDING, Wilmington, Delaware was included on the list of signers of the article.

The Daily Worker is an East Coast Communist newspaper.

The HCUA files also reflected that LOUIS REDDING, Wilmington, Delaware, according to information obtained from the New York Office of the Special Committee on Un-American Activities endorsed the Lifting of the Loyalists Spanish Embargo. No further information was reflected regarding this entry.

The Co-ordinating Committee to Lift the (Spanish) Embargo was cited as one of a number of front organizations set up during the Spanish Civil War by the Communist Party in the United States and through which the Party carried on a great deal of agitation in the Special Committee on Un-American Activities Report March 29, 1944, pages 137 and 138.

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The same Committee was cited as a Communist front by the California Committee on Un-American Activities Report 1947, page 210.

HCUA files also contained a pamphlet entitled "National Negro Congress, 1936" which listed the name LOUIS L. REDDING, Delaware as a member of the Presiding Committee, member of the General Resolution Committee, and a member of the National Executive Council of this Congress in 1936.

The National Negro Congress was declared by the Attorney General to be an organization within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

Baltimore Confidential Informants T-1 and T-2 advised during the current investigation that they do not know the applicant and can furnish no information concerning his associates. These informants advised that they do not know of any association between the applicant and his brother, LOUIS LORENZO REDDING.

Baltimore Confidential Informant T-7, of known reliability, who has known the applicant's family since 1937 and who has known the applicant for the past eight years through their mutual association on the Afro-American Newspaper, advised that he has never had reason to question the applicant's loyalty to the United States, his character reputation or conduct. T-7 has never known him to be a member of any questionable organizations or to have any associates of doubtful loyalty. He further advised that the applicant has been an infrequent visitor to Wilmington during the past eight years and as such no close relationship exists between him and other members of his family.

CREDIT AND CRIMINAL

[REDACTED] Credit Bureau of Wilmington, Inc. made available to SE [REDACTED] credit files which reflect that applicant's father maintains a satisfactory credit rating. [REDACTED] advised SE [REDACTED] that she could locate no credit record for the applicant or other members of his immediate family.

[REDACTED] Records Section, Delaware State Police Headquarters, advised SE [REDACTED] that she could locate no record for the applicant or other members of his immediate family.

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The files of the Wilmington Police Department, as reviewed by SE [redacted] contain no record for the applicant or other members of his immediate family except for the applicant's father who was arrested on January 8, 1940 on a charge of Reckless Driving and this charge was dismissed, date not shown. [redacted]

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- T-1 [redacted] who furnished information to SA [redacted]
- T-2 [redacted] who furnished information to SA [redacted]
- T-3 [redacted]
[redacted] who is being carried as a confidential informant by request.
- T-4 [redacted]
[redacted] who is being carried as a confidential informant by request.
- T-5 ANONYMOUS
- T-6 [redacted]
[redacted] as set out in the report of SA [redacted]
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- T-7 [redacted] contacted by SA [redacted] during the current investigation.

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JAY SAUNDERS REDDING, VOA. REBULET TO NORFOLK, 2/6/53. APPLICANT
BORN 10/13/06, WILMINGTON, DELAWARE. ATTENDED LOUISVILLE MUNICIPAL
COLLEGE, LOUISVILLE, KY. 1934 - 1936. RECORDS THERE REFLECT
APPLICANT LISTED [REDACTED] BROWN
UNIVERSITY, PROVIDENCE, RI, AS REFERENCED. [REDACTED] NOW AVAILABLE
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| TITLE JAY SAUNDERS REDDING | | | CHARACTER OF CASE SPECIAL INQUIRY, STATE DEPARTMENT PUBLIC LAW 402, 80TH CONGRESS VOICE OF AMERICA | |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Education and employment verified and favorable; reference and associates highly recommend for a position of trust and confidence. Credit record favorable. No criminal record.

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REFERENCE: Bureau letter to Norfolk dated February 6, 1953.

DETAILS: EDUCATION

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[Redacted] Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, advised that REDDING attended from September 1931 until June 1932 at which time he was awarded a Masters Degree in English. **[Redacted]** further advised that REDDING continued studying for his Ph D degree but that he withdrew voluntarily in June 1933. Ph D degree was not awarded. **[Redacted]** stated that the record of REDDING was excellent and that no unfavorable information was contained in the file of REDDING. **[Redacted]** further stated that she was not personally acquainted with REDDING but that to the best of her knowledge REDDING enjoyed an excellent reputation around the university. **[Redacted]**

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EMPLOYMENT
[Redacted] **BROWN UNIV.
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[Redacted] Personnel Office, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, advised that REDDING was employed as a visiting professor from September 1949 until February 1952 at which time he left at the completion of one semester appointment. No unfavorable information was.

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contained in the files of REDDING and he is eligible for rehiring, [redacted] advised. Residence of REDDING while he instructed at Brown University was given as 35 Rhode Island Ave., Providence, Rhode Island.

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[redacted] stated that she had met REDDING socially on several occasions. She further stated that she was not qualified to comment on the loyalty, character, and morals of REDDING but that to the best of her knowledge the reputation and associates of REDDING are excellent. She was aware of no reason why REDDING should not be placed in a position of trust and confidence.

REFERENCE

[redacted] Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, advised that he was slightly acquainted with REDDING when he, REDDING, was an undergraduate and a graduate student in the late 1920's and early 1930's respectively. He further stated that he was associated with REDDING while REDDING was a visiting professor during the first semester of the 1949 to 1950 academic year. While he has been acquainted with REDDING since 1924, [redacted] advised that the acquaintance has been on a casual basis during that time. [redacted] did advise that he knows of no unfavorable information regarding REDDING. REDDING always associated with respectable persons to the best of his knowledge, [redacted] advised.

[redacted] advised that he was not acquainted with the family of REDDING and could not offer any comment regarding that point. [redacted] further stated that he has no reason to suspect the loyalty of REDDING in any way. [redacted] advised that he would recommend REDDING for a position of trust and confidence.

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[redacted] advised that he was acquainted with REDDING as a co-worker and as a neighbor since September, 1949. He further advised that he was a social acquaintance and a close friend of REDDING. REDDING resided as [redacted] house when he was a visiting professor at Brown University during the 1949 to 1950 school year. On that basis of [redacted] that association [redacted] described REDDING as a person of excellent morals, reputation, associates and loyalty. [redacted] further stated that REDDING is a person who would never use his position to conduct himself in such a way so as to be detrimental to the country or the government of the United States. He further described REDDING as a scrupulous and conscientious person. [redacted] advised that he was

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acquainted with the wife and children of REDDING but that he was not acquainted with any other member of the family. He stated that he only met the wife and family of REDDING on several occasions for a short time and due to the short duration of association he declined to comment regarding the loyalty and associates of the family. [redacted] did state that he knew of no reason why the character and morals of the family should not be described as anything else but excellent.

[redacted] stated that during REDDING's stay at his home, he and REDDING engaged quite often in conversations and that at no time did REDDING make any remark that would lead [redacted] to regard REDDING as anything else but loyal to the United States and their form of government. [redacted] highly recommended REDDING for a position of trust and confidence.

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[redacted] advised that he was acquainted with REDDING slightly when he, REDDING, was an undergraduate and again when REDDING returned for his Masters degree. [redacted] further stated that he has visited REDDING at Hampton, Virginia on several occasions and that they have kept in close contact for the last fifteen years through correspondence and social visits.

[redacted] stated that he and REDDING have become fairly close over the years due to the fact that their interest in the educational field was in the same category, namely English and writing.

[redacted] stated that REDDING has never said or done anything that would cause him to question the loyalty of REDDING in any way.

[redacted] further described the reputation, character, and associates of REDDING as above reproach. [redacted] stated that he was not acquainted with any member of the family of REDDING except his wife and son of whom he spoke favorably regarding the loyalty, character, and associates.

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[redacted] Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, stated that he has been acquainted with REDDING since 1924 as a casual acquaintance for awhile as an undergraduate and for awhile as an Associate Professor. On the basis of that association he spoke favorably regarding the loyalty, character, and associates of REDDING and his family. [redacted] remarked that in the years that he has known REDDING, he has not heard of a remark, either directly or indirectly, that would cause him to question the loyalty of REDDING in any way. [redacted] advised

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that any information that he has come in possession of has been favorable. [redacted] recommended REDDING for a position of trust and confidence.

[redacted] Brown University, advised that he was only acquainted with REDDING during the semester that REDDING was a visiting professor. He was acquainted with REDDING as a co-worker and a slight social acquaintance during that length of time. On the basis of that association [redacted] described REDDING as a loyal American with excellent character and associates. [redacted] recommended REDDING for a position of trust and confidence.

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[redacted] Library, Brown University, advised that LINDSEY TODD DAMON is now deceased. [redacted] Main Office, Brown University, advised that Dean R.G.D. RICHARDSON is now deceased. Both DAMON and RICHARDSON were listed by REDDING in the records of the University of Louisville, Louisville, Kentucky as references.

LISCELLANEOUS

Reliable Boston informants who are familiar with certain phases of Communist Party activity in Rhode Island, advised that the applicant is unknown to them and they possess no information concerning him.

CREDIT

[redacted] Providence, Credit Bureau, 40 Fountain Street, Providence, Rhode Island, advised that the rating of REDDING at that agency was favorable and that no derogatory information was contained in his file.

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[redacted] Division of Criminal Identification, Providence, Rhode Island, a central repository for arrest records in the state of Rhode Island, advised that the files of that agency contained no information regarding REDDING or his family.

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Those informants referred to in the body of this report are identified
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| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: The Southern Patriot announced the SCEF, Inc., served as co-ordinator for the Southwide Convention on Discrimination in Higher Education held at Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia, April 8, 1950. The name J. SAUNDERS REDDING, Professor of English, Hampton, Virginia, appeared on a list of sponsors. | | | |
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| DETAILS: AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA | | SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR ADD. DISSEMINATION | |
| <p>The Southern Patriot, official organ of the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc., in its issue of March, 1950, Volume 8, Number 3, page 1, announced that the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc., at New Orleans, Louisiana, was serving as co-ordinator for a Southwide Convention on Discrimination in Higher Education which would be held in Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia, on April 8, 1950. It was to be held under the sponsorship of a group of 200 professors and administrators from more than 100 colleges and universities in sixteen Southern states and the District of Columbia.</p> | | | |
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[redacted] of Florida Southern College, was announced as conference [redacted]. Attention at the conference was to be focused upon greater concern for the elimination of the discrimination in higher education. [redacted] speaking in the Southern Patriot stated that although changes were taking place in the South, nevertheless "in no Southern community can it be said that in the treatment of racial minorities there is anything even remotely approximating the basic American concepts of democracy and equality of educational opportunity."

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[redacted] of the Sociology Department, Howard University, Washington, D. C., was announced as keynote speaker. There were to be two sessions of panel discussions with the following themes:

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| Morning session | - | "The Present Situation And Recent Gains" |
| Afternoon session | - | "The Regional School Plan" and "Methods And Techniques in Eliminating Discrimination." |

The Southern Patriot extended an invitation to all administrative officials and teachers and students of Southern institutions of higher learning to attend, as well as officials of State Departments of Education, labor leaders, ministers, and other professional men with a special interest in education. In the same issue of the Southern Patriot, on pages two and three, a partial list of sponsors was announced. The Patriot carefully pointed out that the institutions and organizations appearing behind the names of the sponsors were for identification purposes only. This list of sponsors included the name J. SAUNDERS REDDING, Professor of English, Hampton, Virginia.

Confidential Informants New Orleans T-1, T-2 and T-3, of known reliability, and who are acquainted with the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc., and its parent organization, the Southern Conference for Human Welfare, have advised that the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc., was originally an adjunct of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare before the latter's demise in 1948. Political differences among the Southern Conference for Human Welfare leaders and unfavorable publicity from the House Committee on un-American Activities resulted in its dissolution and, although the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc., continued as a separate and independent organization, it stressed the fact it was non-political in nature. The Fund has devoted its efforts primarily to race relations, particularly in the field of education, campaigning against discrimination and segregation in this field of endeavor.

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The above informants have advised that the principal leaders of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare are the same as those who presently head the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc. [redacted]

[redacted] has served [redacted] of both the Southern Conference for Human Welfare and the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc. While the Communist Party was interested in infiltrating and controlling the Southern Conference for Human Welfare, it has given little indication of interest in the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc.

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The Southern Conference for Human Welfare, the parent organization, has been cited by the House Committee on Un-American Activities as a Communist front. Confidential Informant New Orleans T-1 stated that the Southern Conference for Human Welfare during its active period was considered by the Communist Party as a transmission belt to reach the masses. However, not all of the national officers of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare were controlled by the Communist Party.

Confidential Informants New Orleans T-4, T-5, and T-6, of known reliability, who were active in the Southern Conference for Human Welfare, advised that JAMES ANDERSON DOMBROWSKI, the Director of the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc., worked closely in the past with Communist Party members and invariably followed their advice along Communist Party lines. T-4 stated, however, that DOMBROWSKI liked to show some independence in regard to minor details. T-5 advised that DOMBROWSKI argued that his decisions siding with the Communist Party clique were the result of independent thinking and that he himself was a Christian Socialist.

Confidential Informant New Orleans T-7, of known reliability, and a long-time member of the Communist Party, advised that he did not believe DOMBROWSKI to be a member of the Communist Party but knew him as being sympathetic with the Party over a period of years. DOMBROWSKI took orders from the Communist Party and was an officer in the Southern Conference for Human Welfare through the determined efforts of the Communist Party. However, DOMBROWSKI on one occasion requested a Communist Party member to resign from the old Southern Conference for Human Welfare when it became publicly known that this individual was a Communist since DOMBROWSKI feared that this disclosure might jeopardize the organization.

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PAUL CROUCH, a former Communist Party organizer for many years in various parts of the country, now residing at 10421 N. W. 3rd Avenue, Miami, Florida - information attributed to him is contained in the report of SA [redacted] dated 4/22/49 at Miami, Florida, in the matter entitled SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE, etc., INTERNAL SECURITY - C.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

REDDING attended Lincoln University from September 1923 to June 1924. [redacted] University regards favorably in every respect. Employed by American Friends Service Committee on Special Project during fall 1949 and spring 1951. No credit or criminal information. Informant advised J. SAUNDERS REDDING was among prominent leaders who commented favorably on the book "We Charge Genocide" by WILLIAM L. PATTERSON, National Executive Secretary, Civil Rights Congress. CRC within E.O. 9835. REDDING unknown to other reliable confidential informants Philadelphia area.

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REFERENCE: Bureau letter to Norfolk dated February 6, 1953.

DETAILS:

The names J. SAUNDERS REDDING and JAMES SAUNDERS REDDING are being added to the title of this report to reflect the applicant's name as it appears on school records.

The investigation at Oxford and West Chester [redacted] was conducted by b6
SA [redacted] and the remainder of the investigation [redacted] was conducted by the b7C
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Education

At Oxford, Pa.

Lincoln University

[redacted] advised her records indicate that the applicant matriculated at this University in September 1923 and voluntarily withdrew in June 1924 to enter Brown University at Providence, R. I. These records reflect the applicant was listed by Howard High School, Wilmington, Del., as JAMES SAUNDERS REDDING, and in personal correspondence between the University and the applicant he has signed his name as J. SAUNDERS REDDING. His date of birth was listed as October 13, 1905. The applicant was never subject to disciplinary action during his attendance at this school.

[redacted] of the University, advised he has been acquainted with REDDING as a fellow educator since 1930. [redacted] stated that REDDING received and accepted an invitation to lecture at Brown University, Providence, R. I., for one semester about 1949. He stated that REDDING had been employed by the American Friends Service Committee as a lecturer in the United States and abroad. [redacted] further advised that he recently invited REDDING to visit Lincoln University in the spring of 1953 and talk to the student body.

[redacted] stated he would recommend REDDING favorably in every respect, commenting favorably in regard to the applicant's loyalty, character, and reputation, based on all information he had received through his academic association with the applicant through the years.

Employment

At Philadelphia, Pa.

American Friends Service Committee
1205 Chestnut Street

[redacted] advised his records reflect JAY SAUNDERS REDDING, who was born October 13, 1905, at Wilmington, Del., had been employed by this organization on a Special Project in the fall of 1949 and the spring of 1951. The applicant was a professor at Hampton Institute, Hampton, Va., during this period, and undertook the work for the American Friends Service Committee as an extracurricular activity to his regular profession of teaching. The Special Project was a plan to acquaint the various

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colleges and universities in the United States with the availability of qualified and experienced professors of the negro race for various teaching positions, according to [redacted]

[redacted] advised that the applicant's employment record is satisfactory in every respect, and based on record information only he knew of no reason why the applicant should not assume a position of confidence and trust.

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Credit and Criminal

At Oxford, Pa.

No record could be located at the Oxford Police Department which could be identified with the applicant. This agency services Lincoln University.

At West Chester, Pa.

The Chester County Credit Bureau records contain no information concerning the applicant.

The Chester County District Attorney's Office contains no record of the applicant.

These agencies service Lincoln University.

Miscellaneous

In March 1952 Philadelphia Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, who will not furnish a signed statement or appear before a hearing board, advised he had observed a printed flyer announcing a "Peoples Unity Rally" to be held March 20, 1952, at the Academy of Music Foyer by the Pennsylvania Civil Rights Congress, 1831 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa. Admission, according to this flyer, was the purchase of a copy of "We Charge Genocide" by WILLIAM L. PATTERSON, National Executive Secretary of the Civil Rights Congress. This flyer listed the favorable comment of prominent individuals concerning this publication, and included among these individuals was J. SAUNDERS REDDING.

The Civil Rights Congress was designated by the Attorney General as within the purview of Executive Order 9835 on November 24, 1947, and September 21, 1948.

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Other reliable confidential informants who are familiar with some membership and some of the activities of the Communist Party were contacted during the course of the present investigation, and they advised that the applicant was unknown to them.

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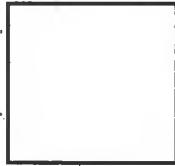
Confidential Informant

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to SA [redacted] on March 15, 1952.

Other reliable informants contacted during the present investigation:



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BALTIMORE

JAY SAUNDERS REDDING, VOA. REURFILE 100-9069. LOUIS LORENZO REDDING, wa., WHO APPEARED TO BE IDENT WITH PERSON LISTED BY APPLICANT AS HIS BROTHER. DETERMINE RELATIONSHIP AND CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION.

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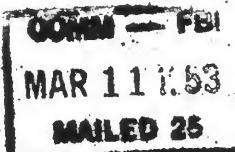
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JAY SAUNDERS REDDING, VOA. BUDED 2/27/53. REBUAIRTEL
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ATTENDED LINCOLN UNIVERSITY AND BROWN UNIVERSITY, GRADUATING
1928. PRESENTLY EMPLOYED AS PROFESSOR HAMPTON INSTITUTE, HAMPTON,
VA. SCHOOL RECORDS INDICATE APPLICANT AKA JAMES SAUNDERS REDDING
AND J. SAUNDERS REDDING. HE IS AUTHOR OF "ON BEING NEGRO IN
AMERICA," REPORTEDLY DISCUSSES APPLICANT'S ASSOCIATION WITH
COMMUNISTS IN EARLY THIRTIES AND FORTIES. PH INDICES REFLECT
HE GAVE FAVORABLE COMMENT TO PUBLICATION "WE CHARGE GENOCIDE,"
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AGENCY: [Redacted] 154
REQ. REC'D: [Redacted] 154
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BY: [Redacted] 154

[Redacted] Elmira College, Elmira, N. Y., reference, became acquainted with REDDING when he taught at Brown University, and described REDDING as a very intelligent individual of excellent character and reputation, ambitious and capable, and a loyal American.

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REFERENCE: New York City Air Tel to Buffalo, 3/5/53.

DETAILS: AT ELMIRA, NEW YORK

REFERENCE

[Redacted] Elmira College, stated he became acquainted with applicant at Brown University where he was an instructor and REDDING was a student.

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[Redacted] said he regarded REDDING as a very intelligent, capable individual, ambitious, a loyal American, and one whom he would recommend for any position of trust. He noted that REDDING wrote several books, was Head of the English Department at Hampton College, and three years ago, was recalled as a visiting Professor by Brown University for a one year period. [Redacted] said REDDING was the son of a Postal Carrier at Wilmington, Delaware, and his mother was a teacher. [Redacted] said he is acquainted with the wife of REDDING whom he described as an equally nice person.

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 SUBJECT: JAY SAUNDERS REDDING
 VOICE OF AMERICA
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DATE: March 17, 1953

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Re Norfolk airtel to Cleveland dated 3-2-53.

As found in report of SA [redacted] dated March 18, 1944 at Cleveland, Ohio, captioned "UNIVERSAL NEGRO IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION AND AFRICAN COMMUNITIES' LEAGUE, Aka - [redacted] et al - INTERNAL SECURITY - J", Confidential Informant Cleveland T-1, who was [redacted] advised that at a meeting of captioned organization on January 16, 1944, one [redacted] read an article from the "Negro Digest" written by one J. SAUNDERS REDDING.

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[redacted] stated further that [redacted] remarked at the time that "the writer, J. SAUNDERS REDDING, must have been in the GARVEY movement as he talks like we've been telling negroes to talk all these years. He writes an article like this and gets away with it. He must know somebody".

Former [redacted] who also attended the aforementioned meeting, advised that [redacted] referred to the January, 1944 edition of the "Negro Digest" and read J. SAUNDERS REDDING's article "What the Negro Believes". A copy of this article was retained in the Cleveland file but was subsequently destroyed.

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It is set forth in the report of SA [redacted] that this article reflects: "the average Negro in America does not believe that the death of a black man in a war for the Four Freedoms will be enough to win for himself an extension of Democratic rights. He does not believe in the righteousness of the Allied cause. He does not believe that the white men who are conducting this war for America, in America's name, mean what they say. He doesn't believe that the negro will get any consideration for having died in combat as a soldier in this war. He believes that he is going to be permitted to fight the Japanese because killing Japanese, who, after all are not white men, and who, so we have been told time and time again, are not the main enemy, is different from killing the white men of Germany and can give the Negro no feeling of after-all-Negroes-can-kill-white-men-and-get-away-with-it. The average Negro in America believes that the average white man has nothing but hatred in his heart for the Negro".

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Since there is no indication that the applicant was ever in the Cleveland, Ohio, area and his name appears in the files only in reference to the article which [redacted] read in January, 1944, no report is being submitted by the Cleveland Office in this matter.

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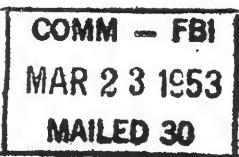
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JAY SAUNDERS REDDING, VOA. REBULET TO NORFCLK, 2/6/53. BUDED
PAST. APPLICANT'S BROTHER, LOUIS L. REDDING, ACTIVE MEMBER
OF NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD IN 1950 AND ALLEGEDLY FORMER CP
MEMBER AT WILMINGTON, DELAWARE. CREDIT RECORD, NY, REFLECTS
LAST KNOWN RESIDENCE FOR LOUIS REDDING, 1944, AS 136 LINCOLN
ST., MONTCLAIR, N.J. LOUIS REDDING, AN ATTORNEY, BORN 10/23/03,
WILMINGTON, DELAWARE, MAINTAINS OFFICES THERE AT 923 MARKET
ST., BUT FREQUENTLY VISITS IN NY AREA. LOUIS REDDING'S [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NEWARK CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION.

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JAY SAUNDERS REDDING, DOA. REBULET TO NORFOLK, 2/6/53. BUDED
PAST. REURFILE 100-3789. REPORT OF SA [REDACTED] 11/20/46,
REFLECTS A LOUIS L. REDDING, WILMINGTON, DELAWARE, WHO APPEARS
TO BE BROTHER OF APPLICANT, ATTENDED SOUTHERN NEGRO YOUTH CON-
GRESS, OCT. 18 TO OCT. 20, 1946. HANDLE EXPEDITIOUSLY.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

References

consider JAY SAUNDERS REDDING a talented novelist of good character, reputation and associates. They consider him a loyal American and recommend for a Government position.

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/ LOUIS L. REDDING reportedly attended National Lawyers Guild Conventions, 1950, 1952; spoke at function of Emergency Civil Liberties Committee. / Communist character of above organizations described. Applicant well regarded, Hotel Theresa. No credit, criminal record NYC for applicant. LOUIS L. REDDING has good credit rating, no criminal record. NYC.

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REFERENCES:

Bureau letter to Norfolk, February 6, 1953.
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DETAILS:

REFERENCES

[redacted] advised that he has been acquainted with JAY SAUNDERS REDDING for over thirty years and first knew him as a fellow classmate at Lincoln University, Pennsylvania; that JAY SAUNDERS REDDING, who was from Wilmington, Delaware, attended there about one year and then transferred to Brown University in Rhode Island. Since that time [redacted] has maintained a social acquaintance with REDDING, who is married and has two sons, [redacted]

[redacted] advised that when REDDING visits in New York, he and REDDING and their wives usually attend social functions. As a result, he has been aware of REDDING's success as a novelist. [redacted] who was also acquainted with JAY SAUNDERS REDDING's brother, LOUIS L. REDDING, an attorney, advised that LOUIS frequently visits New York in connection with legal matters but maintains law offices at Wilmington, Delaware. [redacted] knew nothing derogatory concerning JAY SAUNDERS

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REDDING and his brother and considers them loyal Americans of good character, reputation, and associates. [redacted] cited JAY SAUNDERS REDDING's recent trip to India to combat Communism as an indication of his loyalty to the United States. [redacted] recommended REDDING for a Government position of trust.

[redacted] published a book written by JAY SAUNDERS REDDING entitled, "Being a Negro in the United States" and is interested in publishing additional writings of JAY SAUNDERS REDDING. [redacted] described this work as an objective approach to the problems of the average Negro in the United States and a very excellent literary accomplishment. [redacted] believes b6 b7C that REDDING has a great future as a writer and knew nothing derogatory b7D concerning REDDING's loyalty, character, reputation, and associates. [redacted] first became acquainted with REDDING about 1940 when REDDING won an award given by the state of North Carolina for outstanding literary work. Since that time, [redacted] has had only limited contact with JAY SAUNDERS REDDING, mostly as fellow members of the Editorial Board of "The American Scholar", a Phi Beta Kappa publication. [redacted] was not acquainted with other members of JAY SAUNDERS REDDING's family and recommended REDDING for a Government position of trust.

[redacted] advised that she first became acquainted with JAY SAUNDERS REDDING about five years ago when [redacted]. Since she and REDDING became associated, he has published three books dealing with the complex living problems of the Negro in the United States. [redacted] described REDDING's writings as conservative, objective, and a very fair, unbiased approach to segregation and discrimination in this country. She recalled that REDDING traveled to India at the request of the Government in order to convince the people there that there was great opportunity for the Negro people in the United States. [redacted] considered REDDING a loyal American of good character, reputation, and associates and recommended him for a Government position of trust.

[redacted] advised that records there reflected that on April 1, 1944, REDDING was granted a one-year fellowship to write a novel on Negro life to show "middle-class Negroes' position in the modern complex world"; that as a result of this grant, REDDING produced, "They Came in Chains", which [redacted] considered to be a fair, unbiased approach to the Negro problem in this country.

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[redacted] who only slightly recalled REDDING, advised that he knew him by reputation as a member of the Editorial Board of "The American Scholar," a Phi Beta Kappa publication, and understood he did some work in India under the auspices of the United States Government. [redacted] knew nothing derogatory concerning REDDING and recommended him for a Government position of trust. [redacted] was not acquainted with any of REDDING's relatives.

NEIGHBORHOOD

Young Men's Christian Association
180 West 135th Street
New York, New York

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[redacted] advised that he was not acquainted with JAY SAUNDERS REDDING and had no record for the individual; however, he was acquainted with a LOUIS L. REDDING, an attorney from Wilmington, Delaware, who resides there when he visits New York. [redacted] considered LOUIS L. REDDING a very satisfactory resident and knew nothing derogatory concerning him with regard to his character, reputation and associates.

Hotel Theresa
125th Street and Seventh Avenue
New York, New York

[redacted] advised that he has been acquainted with JAY SAUNDERS REDDING for about ten years, during which time REDDING has resided there when on visits to New York. [redacted] was acquainted with REDDING's wife and brother, LOUIS, who he understood to be an attorney in Wilmington, Delaware. [redacted] knew nothing derogatory concerning JAY SAUNDERS REDDING or any member of his family, and from his limited acquaintance with REDDING, recommended him for a position of trust.

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The following information is being set forth concerning reference [redacted]

In April, 1950, Confidential Informant T-1 and in October, 1951, Confidential Informant T-2, both of known reliability, supplied copies of letterheads of the China Welfare Appeal, Incorporated, in which it was shown [redacted] was a sponsor of that organization. The [redacted] named was not further described.

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Confidential Informant T-3, of known reliability, advised that the China Welfare Appeal, Incorporated, is a Communist front organization which is actually [redacted]

According to Confidential Informant T-3, on March 8, 1951, the Board of Directors for the China Welfare Appeal issued a statement expressing their intention to continue to ship relief and welfare supplies to Madame SUN YAT-SEN, Vice President of the Peoples Republic of China.

Confidential Informant T-4, of known reliability, advised that he knew [redacted] to be a member of the Communist Party in 1945.

In March of 1949, Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, supplied a program for the Cultural and Scientific Conference for World Peace held at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel, New York City, March 25 to 27, 1949, under the auspices of the National Council of Arts, Sciences and Professions. [redacted] was listed thereon as a sponsor. [redacted]

[redacted] was not further identified.

The "Daily Worker" issue, February 21, 1949, reflected that [redacted] was a sponsor of the Cultural and Scientific Conference for World Peace..

Confidential Informant T-5, of known reliability, advised that the above organization is part of a world-wide Communist inspired propaganda campaign.

The California Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 1949, page 476, described the above conference as an international Communist front activity growing out of a Communist sponsored congress of intellectuals held in Poland in 1948.

In March of 1950 and February of 1951, Confidential Informant T-6, of unknown reliability, provided copies of letterheads of the Physicians Forum in which it was shown that [redacted] was [redacted] of the Physicians Forum, 510 Madison Avenue, New York, New York, during 1949 and 1951.

The "Daily Worker", issued October 23, 1945, May 26, 1948, and February 1, 1949, reflected that [redacted] was [redacted] of the

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Physicians Forum during those respective years.

The [redacted] mentioned in the two paragraphs next above was not further identified or described.

In February, 1950, Confidential Informant T-4m of known reliability, who is familiar with some Communist Party matters in the New York City area, advised that he was acquainted with [redacted] of the Physicians Forum and that [redacted] was a Communist Party member.

In December, 1946, Confidential Informant T-7, of known reliability, provided a letterhead of the "Third Anniversary of BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, JR., Birthday Ball Committee", 200 West 135th Street, New York City. [redacted] not further described, was listed thereon as a [redacted]

In the "Daily Worker" issues of April 10, 1945 and June 1, 1945, [redacted] not further described, was named as a sponsor and [redacted] of the campaign to re-elect BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, JR., to the New York City Council. The "Daily Worker" is an East coast Communist newspaper.

BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, JR., was one of the Communist Party leaders convicted in 1949 in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York for violation of the Smith Act.

Concerning reference [redacted] the following information is set forth:

In August, 1946, Confidential Informant T-8, of known reliability, advised that [redacted] was a member of the American Committee to Win the Peace. [redacted] was not further described.

In the "Daily Worker" issue of October 30, 1946, [redacted] was listed as [redacted] of the New York Committee to Win the Peace and as [redacted]

According to Confidential Informant T-8, the American Committee to Win the Peace and the New York Committee to Win the Peace are identical with the National Committee to Win the Peace, which latter organization has been declared by the Attorney General to be within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

The following information concerning LOUIS L. REDDING is set forth:

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In June of 1950, Confidential Informant T-9, of known reliability, advised that LOUIS L. REDDING, Wilmington, Delaware, attended the National Lawyers' Guild convention held at the Park Sheraton Hotel, New York City, on May 6 and 7, 1950.

The "Daily Worker" issue October 13, 1952, reflected that "Discrimination in Education" was discussed by LOUIS L. REDDING, the Delaware Bar, during the convention of the National Lawyers' Guild at the Park Sheraton Hotel, October 10 and 12, 1952.

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In October, 1952, Confidential Informant T-10, of known reliability, advised that LOUIS L. REDDING was a speaker at a meeting of the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee, a luncheon held on October 11, 1952, at the Howard Johnson Restaurant, 212 West 57th Street.

The "New York Times" issue January 20, 1953, reflected that [redacted] of the American Committee for Cultural Freedom, which organization was reportedly formed to combat Communism, accused the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee as being a Communist front organization.

A number of Confidential Informants, of known reliability, who are acquainted with some Communists and Communist activity in the New York City area, advised that they do not know JAY SAUNDERS REDDING or his brother, LOUIS L. REDDING.

A check of the records of the Bureau of Special Services and Investigation of the New York City Police Department was made by SA [redacted] and there was no record for JAY SAUNDERS REDDING or LOUIS L. REDDING.

A check of the records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York was made by SE [redacted] and no record was located for JAY SAUNDERS REDDING. However, a record for LOUIS L. REDDING, attorney, with offices at 921 Market Street, Wilmington, Delaware, reflected that in December, 1944, he was residing at 136 Lincoln Street, Montclair, New Jersey, with his [redacted] and formerly resided at 180 West 135th Street, New York, New York; that he, LOUIS L. REDDING, had a good credit record.

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INFORMANTS

T-1 [redacted] who reported to SA [redacted] on
SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] on
4/20/50.

T-2 [redacted] who reported to SA [redacted] on
10/15/51.

T-3 [redacted]

T-4 LOUIS A. BUDENZ

T-5 [redacted]

[redacted]
[redacted] who requested that his name be
kept confidential.

T-6 [redacted]

T-7 [redacted]

T-8 [redacted]

T-9 [redacted]

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SA [redacted] who reported to
on 6/28/50.

T-10 [redacted]

The reliable Confidential Informants mentioned on Page 7 are
identified as follows:

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402, 80TH CONGRESS, VOICE OF AMERICA. REURAIR-TEL 3/25/53. FULL
CHARACTER HEREIN ^{IN} SET OUT. FOR YOUR INFO, LOUIS REDDING, REFERRED TO
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JAY SAUNDERS REDDING, VOA. REBULET TO NORFOLK 2/6/53 AND MY AIR-TEL
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REPORT OF SA [REDACTED] 11/20/46, ENTITLED SOUTHERN NEGRO
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[REDACTED] FURNISHED SV OFFICE PAMPHLET DISTRIBUTED TO THE SNYC
MEETING AT COLUMBIA, S. C., 10/18-20/46, WHICH PAMPHLET INDICATES
AMONG SPONSORS AND MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY BOARD OF THE SNYC, THE
NAME OF LOUIS REDDING, ATTORNEY, NYC. REPORT DOES NOT INDICATE
REDDING TO BE AT WILMINGTON, DEL. INFORMANT NOT ACQUAINTED WITH
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Nothing additional CSC or HCUA.

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REFERENCE: Philadelphia airtel dated March 12, 1953.

DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

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The files of the Investigations Division, Civil Service Commission, as reviewed by the writer, contained no additional information concerning the applicant.

The files of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, as checked by Special Employee [Redacted] contained no additional information concerning JAY SAUNDERS REDDING, JAMES SAUNDERS REDDING or J. SAUNDERS REDDING.

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The files of the House Committee on Un-American Activities disclosed that J. SAUNDERS REDDING was the author of "On Being Negro in America", which was reviewed unfavorably by [redacted] Masses and Mainstream, January, 1952, pages 59-62. Also, that one J. SAUNDERS REDDING was an honorary member of the Association of Young Writers and Artists, affiliated with the Southern Negro Youth Congress, source being listed at People's World, October 2, 1944, page five. Inasmuch as the above information was also reflected in the files of the Civil Service Commission, the House Committee on Un-American Activities was reported as nothing additional.

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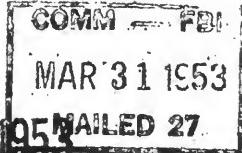
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Informant advised LOUIS REDDING, brother of JAY REDDING, spends most weekends in Montclair, N.J. Neither JAY nor LOUIS REDDING known to security informants. No credit or police record for LOUIS REDDING.

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REFERENCE:

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Association, 744 Broad St., Newark, N.J., which covers Montclair, N.J., advised that LOUIS LORENZO REDDING, brother of JAY REDDING, has never been a member of the New Jersey Bar Association according to her records.

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Newark Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised that LOUIS LORENZO REDDING practices law at his office at 923 Market St., Wilmington, Del., however, he visits at his [Redacted] each weekend.

Newark Confidential Informants of known reliability who are acquainted with a number of Communist Party members in New Jersey, advised that they did not know JAY REDDING or his brother, LOUIS LORENZO REDDING.

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Records of the Credit Bureau of Greater Newark, which also covers Montclair, N.J., contained no information concerning LOUIS L. REDDING.

Records of the Montclair, N.J. Police Department contained no information concerning LOUIS L. REDDING.

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INFORMANT

T-1 is a pretext telephone call made to [redacted]
[redacted] by SA [redacted]

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Other informants mentioned in this report were:

[redacted] contacted by SA [redacted] 3/25/53.
[redacted] contacted by SA [redacted] 3/27/53.
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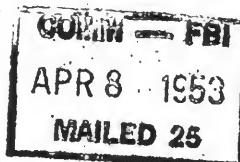
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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ADD. DISSEMINATION.

LOUIS REDDING, Attorney, New York City, listed among sponsors and members of advisory board of SNYC. Neither applicant nor LOUIS REDDING known to informant.

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REFERENCE:

New York airtel, 2/6/53.

DETAILS:

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, in October, 1946, furnished a pamphlet distributed to the Southern Negro Youth Congress meeting at Columbia, South Carolina, October 18-20, 1946, and this pamphlet reflected under the names of sponsors and members of the advisory board of the Southern Negro Youth Congress the name LOUIS REDDING, attorney, New York City. T-1 advised he is not personally acquainted with applicant or LOUIS REDDING and could furnish no information concerning either of them.

Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, advised he is not acquainted with applicant or LOUIS REDDING.

The Southern Negro Youth Congress has been declared by the Attorney General to be within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

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Confidential Informant T-1 is [redacted]
[redacted] who furnishes information on a confidential basis
concerning racial situations [redacted]

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Confidential Informant T-2 is [redacted]
whose identity is known to the Bureau.